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<u>CU-Denver and Health Sciences Center Downtown</u> to Host Workshop on Women's Use of Violence

"Domestic violence is not the same as battering. The use of domestic violence as an institutional category has led to equating a man's use of physical and sexual violence to

dominate his partner with a women's use of physical violence to resist that domination."

- Ellen Pence, 2005

Denver (May12,2005) - On May 12, 2005 at the University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center Downtown Campus, activist, organizer and author Ellen Pence will present a half-day seminar titled *Women's Violence, Women's Resistance*. This presentation will explore the phenomena of women's use of violence, how it is understood, some of the unintended consequences of past organizing strategies used by the battered women's movement and what now can be done to create change.

Ellen Pence, Ph.D. has been an activist in the battered women's movement since 1975. In 1980 she was one of a small group of people who organized the Domestic Abuse Intervention Project in Duluth Minnesota. She co-wrote with her colleague Michael Paymar; *Tactics of Control an Educational Curriculum for Men who Batter*. Today it is the most widely used batterers'

rehabilitation model in the country. In the early 1990's, Dr. Pence designed the Safety and Accountability Audit Process used extensively by community teams seeking to enhance their institutional responses to domestic violence. Dr. Pence received her Ph.D. from the University of Toronto in 1996 and has published extensively in the area of domestic violence. She is currently the Director of *Praxis International* which provides training and technical assistance on analyzing and changing institutional responses to battering.

WHAT: Women's Violence, Women's Resistance a presentation by Ellen Pence

WHEN: Thursday, May 12, 2005 Registration 7:45am Workshop 8:30am - 12:00pm

WHERE: Tivoli Student Union, Room 440 – The Auraria Campus

COST: Registration \$40; \$20 for students

Participants may register by email. To register or for more information, please contact The Program on Domestic Violence at 303-556-5994 or barbara.paradiso@cudenver.edu

Requests for special accommodations must be received by May 9, 2005.

This event is co-sponsored by: the UCD Office of Student Life.

The Program on Domestic Violence prepares students for leadership roles in organizations that address violence against women and children. The program was initiated by the Graduate School of Public Affairs at CU- Denver in the fall of 2000. It is the first program of its kind in the nation. Students earn a Master of Public Administration degree with a focus on domestic violence, organizational management and policy development. The program also offers training opportunities for the community at large.

Women's Violence, Women's Resistance Ellen Pence, Ph.D.

May 12, 2005 8:30am to 12:00p.m. (Registration begins at 7:45am) Tivoli Student Union, Rooms 440 - Auraria Campus

Registration Form

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^{*} Parking in the Tivoli Parking Lot is available in advance at a reduced rate of \$4.00 per vehicle. Participants requesting reduced rate parking will receive a coupon to exit the Tivoli lot at the conference registration table. A campus map is available at www.ahec.edu/parking/index.htm.